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Title: LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY

1. Type of Application

This is a request for filing a CONTINUATION-IN-PART APPLICATION under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.: 09/114,323 Prior Art Unit: 1741
 Filed: July 13, 1998 Prior Examiner: Jonathan S. Crepeau
 Title: LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY
 Inventors: Hiroshi NEMOTO, Teruhisa KUROKAWA and Kenshin KITO.

2. Papers enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:

- 8 Page(s) of Specification
- 3 Page(s) of Claims
- 1 Page(s) of Abstract
- 2 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-3)

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B. Other Papers Enclosed

- ☒ A Patent Application Bibliographic Data
☐ A Preliminary Amendment

3. Additional Papers to Follow Under Separate Cover

- ☒ A combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
☒ An Assignment Transmittal and Assignment of the invention to
NGK Insulators, Ltd.
☒ An Information Disclosure Statement
☒ PTO Form-1449

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5. Relate Back**A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)**

- ☐ Priority of provisional application Serial No. , filed , is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

B. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)

- ☒ Priority of said prior application 09/114,323, filed July 13, 1998, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

C. 35 U.S.C. 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application

- ☒ Priority of foreign application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 as follows:

Japanese Application 9-202963 filed July 29, 1997
 Japanese Application 9-331537 filed December 2, 1997

- ☒ Certified copies of the above corresponding foreign applications were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/114,323.
☐ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.

6. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting after the title and before the first line the sentence:

7. Small Entity Status

☐ Applicant(s) claim(s) small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27.

8. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application are:

[X] the same.

[] not the same. An explanation, including the ownership of the various claims at the time the last claimed invention was made.

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A. Filing Fee
☒ Original Patent Application \$ 710.00
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B.	Fees for Claims (19 Claims; 2 Indep.) [] each independent claim in excess of 3 (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)--\$80.00; small entity--\$40.00)	\$ 00
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☒ late payment of filing fee \$ 130.00
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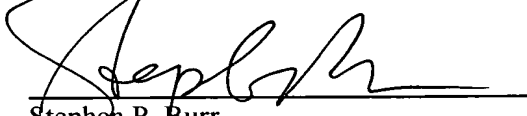
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Respectfully submitted,



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